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FISCAL NOTE

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Bill Topic: SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS RECOVERY

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

- ☐ State Revenue
- ☒ State Expenditure
- ☐ State Transfer
- ☐ TABOR Refund
- ☒ Local Government (*potential, minimal*)
- ☐ Statutory Public Entity

This bill requires the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment to study the best practices for operating recovery residences. It also requires a research center in the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center to administer a program designed to test innovative models for recovery support services. This bill increases state agency workload through FY 2020-21.

Appropriation Summary: This bill requires appropriations of \$7,004 in the current FY 2018-19 and \$31,446 in FY 2019-20 to the Department of Public Health and Environment.

Fiscal Note Status: This fiscal note reflects the bill draft requested by the Opioid and Other Substance Use Disorders Interim Study Committee.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts Under Bill 2

		FY 2018-19 (current year)	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21
Revenue		-	-	-
Expenditures	General Fund	\$7,004	\$31,446	-
	Centrally Appropriated	\$3,371	\$14,539	-
	Total	\$10,375	\$45,985	-
	Total FTE	0.1 FTE	0.4 FTE	-
Transfers		-	-	-
TABOR Refund		-	-	-

Summary of Legislation

This bill requires the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE), in consultation with stakeholders in the substance use disorders community and the Departments of Human Services and Regulatory Agencies, to identify best practices for operating recovery residences. These best practices must include minimum standards for operating recovery residences and must specify that a recovery residence owner, employee, or administrator may not solicit or accept a commission or fee from a treatment facility in exchange for the admission of a resident to the facility or a drug-testing laboratory. The CDPHE must submit its findings to the health and human services committees of the General Assembly by January 1, 2020.

Further, the bill directs the Research Center for Substance Use Disorder Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Support Strategies (center) at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center to administer a program designed to test innovative models for recovery support services. The center must submit a report on this program to the health and human services committees of the General Assembly by January 1, 2021.

Background

The center was created in 2017 to establish and expand programs for substance use treatment, prevention, and recovery; establish innovative treatments for substance use disorders; and expand partnerships and collaboration with substance use disorder professionals and organizations. The center is funded through an appropriation from the Marijuana Tax Cash Fund and any gifts, grants, or donations made to the program.

State Expenditures

This bill will increase expenditures in the CDPHE by \$10,375 and 0.1 FTE in the current FY 2018-19 and \$45,985 and 0.4 FTE in FY 2019-20. It will increase workload in the Department of Human Services and the Department of Regulatory Agencies through FY 2019-20; and it will increase workload and costs for the University of Colorado through FY 2020-21. These impacts are shown in Table 2 and described below.

Table 2
Expenditures Under Bill 2

	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20
Department of Public Health and Environment		
Personal Services	\$7,004	\$31,066
Operating Expenses and Capital Outlay Costs	-	\$380
Centrally Appropriated Costs*	\$3,371	\$14,539
Total Cost	\$10,375	\$45,985
Total FTE	0.1 FTE	0.4 FTE

** Centrally appropriated costs are not included in the bill's appropriation.*

Department of Public Health and Environment. To implement this bill, the CDPHE will require 0.1 FTE in the current FY 2018-19 and 0.4 FTE in FY 2019-20 to research, compile, and present materials to the stakeholder group. The impacts in the current fiscal year are prorated based on an assumed start date of May 1 and the General Fund pay date shift.

Departments of Human Services and Regulatory Agencies. This bill will minimally increase workload for these departments to assist the CDPHE with the requirements of this bill. This workload can be accomplished in each agency's existing appropriation.

University of Colorado. This bill will increase workload and expenditures for the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center to administer a program designed to test innovative models for recovery support services. It is assumed that any increase in expenditures can be accomplished within the center's existing appropriations and other revenue streams.

Centrally appropriated costs. Pursuant to a Joint Budget Committee policy, certain costs associated with this bill are addressed through the annual budget process and centrally appropriated in the Long Bill or supplemental appropriations bills, rather than in this bill. These costs, which include employee insurance and supplemental employee retirement payments, are estimated to be \$3,371 in the current FY 2019-20 and \$14,539 in FY 2020-21.

Local Government

To the extent that any counties participate in a stakeholder group, workload for participating counties will increase. Any increase in workload is expected to be minimal.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

State Appropriations

For the current FY 2018-19, this bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$7,004 and an allocation of 0.1 FTE to the Department of Public Health and Environment.

For FY 2019-20, the bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$31,446 and an allocation of 0.4 FTE to the Department of Public Health and Environment.

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties
Human Services

Health Care Policy and Financing
Public Health And Environment

Higher Education
Regulatory Agencies

